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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

Provisional agenda

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Annotations

Item 1. Election of officers

In accordance with rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, the Working Group shall elect, at the commencement of the first meeting, from among the representatives of its members, such officers as may be required.

Item 2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

In accordance with rule 7 of the rules of procedure, the Commission shall, at the beginning of the session, after the election of its officers, adopt the agenda for that session on the basis of the provisional agenda.

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Item 3. Preparations for the special session of the General Assembly for the purpose of an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of Agenda 21

In resolution 50/113, the General Assembly decided to convene the special session envisaged in resolution 47/190 for a duration of one week during the month of June 1997 at the highest possible level of participation and, in that connection, invited the Commission to devote its Ad Hoc Open-ended Inter-Sessional Working Group meeting, to be held in February 1997, to assisting the Commission in undertaking the review for the special session.

In its decision 4/17, the Commission decided, pursuant to the above-mentioned resolution, to devote its Ad Hoc Open-ended Inter-Sessional Working Group meeting to assisting the Commission in undertaking the review for the special session of the Assembly.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the overall progress achieved since the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (E/CN.17/1997/2 and Add.1-30)

Report of the Secretary-General on global change and sustainable development: critical trends (E/CN.17/1997/3)

Report of the Secretary-General on an assessment of activities that pose a threat to the environment (E/CN.17/1997/4)

Report of the Secretary-General on the inventory of ongoing energy-related programmes and activities of entities within the United Nations system, on coordination of such activities and on arrangements needed to foster the linkage between energy and sustainable development within the system (E/CN.17/1997/7)

Report of the Secretary-General on the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development: application and implementation (E/CN.17/1997/8)

Report of the Secretary-General on a comprehensive assessment of the freshwater resources of the world (E/CN.17/1997/9)

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (E/CN.17/1997/14)

Item 4. Other matters

Item 5. Adoption of the report of the Working Group

In accordance with established practice, the Working Group will submit a report to the Commission at its fifth session.